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In re application of:

Thomas D. NADEAU, et al.

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FROM VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK DEVICES TO MANAGED INFORMATION  
OBJECTS USING THE SIMPLE NETWORK MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL

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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 25, 2005, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 13.